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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: POSSIBLE DELAY IN ARRIVAL OF FINNAIR'S
SECOND DC-10

REF: A) HELSINKI 312, FEBRUARY 12, 1975; B) HELSINKI 537,
MARCH 12, 1975

1. PRESIDENT GUNNAR KORHONEN OF FINNAIR HAS INFORMED
EMBASSY OF PROBLEM WHICH MAY DELAY DELIVERY OF FINNAIR'S
SECOND MACDONNELL-DOUGLAS DC-10. THE FIRST, OF TWO PURCHASED,
ARRIVED ON FEBRUARY 4 AND IS ALREADY IN USE ON CHARTERS.

2. ACCORDING TO KORHONEN, STRIKES AT PLANTS WHICH ARE
SUPPLIERS OF PARTS TO LONG BEACH PLANT WHERE SECOND FINNAIR
DC-10 IS IN FINAL STAGES OF MANUFACTURE THREATEN TO DELAY
ITS COMPLETION AND ITS PLANNED DELIVERY IN MID-MAY. HE
MADE POINT THAT HAVING ONLY ONE INSTEAD OF PLANNED TWO
DC-10 AIRCRAFT DURING PEAK SUMMER TOURIST SEASON WOULD
HAVE SERIOUS ADVERSE FINANCIAL EFFECT. FOR EXAMPLE,
A BUSY SCHEDULE OF CHARTER FLIGHTS HAS BEEN LINED UP
FOR EACH DC-10 AND WOULD HAVE TO BE CUT BACK IF ONLY ONE
DC-10 WERE IN SERVICE.

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3. KORHONEN SAID FINNAIR IS OF COURSE IN DIRECT CON-

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TACT WITH MACDONNELL-DOUGLAS ABOUT GIVING ITS SECOND DC-10 A HIGHER COMPLETION PRIORITY, OR OTHERWISE DELIVERING IT AS ORIGINALLY PLANNED. HE EXPRESSED HOPE THAT EMBASSY AND DEPARTMENT COULD IN SOME WAY SUPPORT THESE APPROACHES. WE WERE CAREFUL NOT TO RAISE ANY UNDUE HOPES THAT ANY USG INTERVENTION WOULD BE USEFUL.

4. REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE WAS RECEIVED BEFORE KORHONEN HAD HEARD OF U.S. NOTE RE NEW YORK-COPENHAGEN/AMSTERDAM CAPACITY PROBLEM (REF. B). AFTER LEARNING OF CONTENTS OF NOTE, KORHONEN WAS IN TOUCH WITH EMBASSY ABOUT ANOTHER MATTER, BUT DID NOT WITHDRAW HIS REQUEST.
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